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on the other and I don't think there is anybody in here who can deny that. And so I think we need to continue to address this issue and not just say, well, this is too difficult to solve. I would urge you to listen carefully to amendments that are offered here today to make this process work and to help us set priorities in this body and to make our work load more manageable and, therefore, by making it more open, more accessible and more understandable to the public. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Scofield. Senator Rod Johnson, speaking to the Conway amendment. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, members, I rise to support the concept that Senator Conway has offered, however, I would ask him to possibly consider offering it as an amendment by itself as opposed to an amendment to Senator Morehead's amendment, principally because I cannot support the Morehead amendment which I feel would add to the mischief that could take place in this legislative body and I believe destroy the openness of the institution. However, I do like the idea of being done by the 45th day as Senator Conway has already indicated the committee chairmen and chairpersons, I should say, met this morning and basically tentatively agreed that the 46th day, which is a Friday, we should have our hearings complete, so he is working under the same concept, I think, that the committee chairpersons were working with this morning and I would hope that he would consider offering this amendment at a later date on its own merits rather than combining this amendment with the Morehead amendment because I cannot support the Morehead amendment at this time. And I think that there are others who are also interested in the concept of being done by the 45th day. I see nothing wrong or illogical with that offering, principally because, as I see it, we have created a new committee structure that is supposed to be more equitable to spread bills out and we shouldn't have the problems that I was told that we had in the last committee structure with one or two committees being overburdened with too many bills. The overburdening of one particular committee or two should not take place. So I think 45th legislative day is a day that we could count on as being completed and as a side note I suppose as individual legislators we should also consider some restraint in our introduction of legislative bills during the session, but that is an issue that each of us must take up individually.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Johnson. The Chair recognizes the member from the 10th District, Senator Pirsch.